

STATEMENTS OF DETERMINATIONS

a. Alternatives Considered

The Department has determined that no alternative considered by the Department would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons other than the proposed action.

b. Local Mandate Determination

The Department has determined that the regulations would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts, nor are there any costs for which reimbursement is required by Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code.

c. Economic Impact Statement

The Department has determined that the regulations would not have a significant adverse economic impact on businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

The proposed amendments to the organized camp regulations repeal outdated or presently inappropriate requirements. The proposed amendments were jointly developed by representatives of the camping industry, local health departments and the Department. The California Camping Advisory Council representing the organized camping industry in California has commented that the proposed amendments will not have a significant economic impact on the business of organized camping in California. There will also be no significant impact on the industry's ability to compete with organized camping in other states. This has led the Department to the determination that the regulations, as proposed to be amended, will not have an adverse impact on businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

No jobs will be created or eliminated as a result of these regulations. No new businesses will be created and no businesses will be eliminated. There will be no expansion of businesses currently doing business with the State of California as a result of these regulations.

d. Effect on Small Business

The amendments in this proposal will have a minimal effect on small businesses. The criminal background checks for camp counselors is presently required by the organized camps and is an established industry standard.